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(54) Facially amphiphilic polyaryl and polarylalkynyl polymers and oligomers and uses thereof

(57) The present invention discloses facially amphiphilic polyaryl and polyarylalkynyl polymers and oligomers of formula (Ia), compositions thereof, preparation thereof and their use as antimicrobial agents and as antidotes for hemorrhagic complications associated with heparin therapy

$$R^1-A_1-s-A_2-s-A_1-R^2$$
 Formula (Ia)

wherein A_1 and A_2 are independently substituted or unsubstituted arylene or heteroarylene, s is absent, or -CH=CH- or C=C- and R¹ and R² are as defined in claim 1. Examples of compounds of formula (Ia) are the following

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Reason for the limitation of the search:

The present claims relate to an extremely large number of possible compounds, compositions and uses. Support and disclosure within the meaning of Article 84 and 83 EPC are to be found, however, for only a very small proportion of the compounds claimed, i.e. the compounds of claim 25. Furthermore, A 1 and A2 of claim 1 are defined as "optionally substituted arylene or ... heteroarylene, wherein...", while in the further characterisation of said arylene or heteroarylene in (ii) one of A1 or A2 is defined as CC(CH2)pCC and thus cannot be an arylene or a heteroarylene. Said definitions are contradictory and therefore claim 1 does not fulfill the requirements of Article 84 EPC.

Non-compliance with the substantial provisions is such that a meaningful search of the whole subject-matter of the claims could not be carried out (Rule 63 EPC and Guidelines B-VIII, 3). The extent of the search was consequently limited.

The search of claims 1-31 was restricted to those claimed compounds and use which appear to be supported and a generalisation of their structural formulae, in particular to compounds of formula (Ia) wherein A1 and A2 are m-phenylene, with a polar group (PL) and the other of A1 or A2 is unsubstituted; s represents ethynylene; R1 is R2; PL is a polar group selected from the group consisting of halo, hydroxyethoxymethyl, methoxyethoxymethyl, polyoxyethylene, and -(NR5')q1PL -UPL -(CH2)pPL-(NR5')q2PL -V, wherein: R5, R5', and R5" are independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, alkyl, and alkoxy; UPL is absent or selected from the group consisting of 0, S, S(=0), S(=0)2, NR5 ,-(C=0)-, -(C=0)-N=N-NR5 -, -(C=0)-NR5 -N=N-, -N=N-NR5 , -C(N-N(R5)2)-, -C(=NR5) -, -C(=0)=0-, -C(=0)S-, -C(=S)-, -0-P(=0)2 0-, -R5 0-, -R5 S-, -S-C=N- and -(C=0)-NR5-0-, wherein groups with chemically non equivalent termini can adopt both possible orientations; V is selected from the group consisting of nitro, cyano, amino, hydroxyl, alkoxy, alkylthio, alkylamino, dialkylamino, -NH(CH2)p NH2, -N(CH2CH2NH2)2, diazamino, amidino, guanidino, guanyl, semicarbazone, aryl, heterocycle and heteroaryl, any of which is optionally substituted with one or more of amino, halo, cyano, nitro, hydroxyl, -NH(CH2)p NH2, -N(CH2 CH2 NH2)2, amidino, guanidino, guanyl, aminosulfonyl, aminoalkoxy, aminoalkythio, lower acylamino, or benzyloxycarbonyl; the alkylene chain -(CH2)pPL - is optionally substituted with one or more amino hydroxyl groups, or the alkylene chain is unsaturated; pPL is 0 to 8; and q1PL and q2PL are independently 0 to 2.

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